

**Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America**  
**Board Meeting**  
**June 12, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 9:10 a.m. by President Michael Stone at the Corporation office, Wabash, Indiana, with all Directors and the Secretary/Treasurer present. They were: Mark Barie; Matt Frieden; Christina Lemley; Duane Miller; Gary Miller; Jack Peckinpaugh; Walter Schaefer, Jr.; Michael Stone; Keith Woodbury; and Vicki Knott.

President asked for a moment of silence in honor of our Breed Historian, Ollie Ziegler, and thanked the Board for their expressions of concern at the passing of his father, Richard Stone.

Minutes from the December 6 & 7, 2013 executive session were presented for approval.

Motion by Lemley,  
Seconded by Barie,  
To approve the minutes as presented.  
Motion carried unanimously.

The financial and supplemental reports for the first half of the fiscal year were presented for approval.

Motion by Lemley,  
Seconded by D. Miller,  
To approve the financial and supplemental reports as presented.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion opened on the criteria for appeals to the Board of Directors.

Motion by Peckinpaugh,  
Seconded by Barie,  
Provided that it meets the approval of the Corporation's attorney, adopt the following as ARTICLE XV; Section 1 of the Corporation By-Laws: *Board Appeals. The Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America Board of Directors evaluates appeals submitted by members and non-members for matters directly relating to the registration, transfer, membership, and breed registry process. Appeals to the Board of Directors shall be informal, and rules of evidence, both at common law or provided by Indiana rules of civil or criminal evidence, need not be strictly observed. The standard by which admissibility is determined is whether the evidence is such that an ordinarily prudent person is willing to rely upon it. As a Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America member or nonmember the person or persons appealing to the Board of Directors, agrees that all witnesses and participants in an appeal shall be immune from any civil liability whatsoever, including, but not limited to, libel, slander, invasion of privacy or defamation for information given in the course of the preparation for the appeal.* Further, the current ARTICLE XV Amendments will be retitled ARTICLE XVI.

Motion carried unanimously.  
Discussion opened on the DNA of mares.

Motion by D. Miller,  
Seconded by Peckinpaugh,  
To revoke the current JEB testing requirement and require all mares foaled beginning in 2015 to be DNA profiled prior to registration at a fee of \$40.00.  
Yes: D. Miller; Peckinpaugh.  
No: Barie; Frieden; Lemley; G. Miller; Schaefer, Jr.; Woodbury.  
Motion denied.

Motion by Barie,  
Seconded by Lemley,  
To require all mares foaled beginning in 2015 to be DNA profiled prior to registration at a fee of \$30.00 in addition to the applicable registration fee.  
Yes: Barie; Lemley; D. Miller; G. Miller; Peckinpaugh; Schaefer, Jr.; Woodbury.  
No: Frieden.  
Motion carried.

Motion by Peckinpaugh,  
Seconded by Schaefer, Jr.,  
Discontinue *Pedigree Generated Non-Carrier* from qualifying registrations and replace with *Parentage Verified JEB Non-Carrier* for registrations where both parents have been DNA profiled and JEB tested non-carriers.  
Yes: Barie; Lemley; D. Miller; G. Miller; Peckinpaugh; Schaefer, Jr.; Woodbury.  
No: Frieden.  
Motion carried.

Motion by Barie;  
Seconded by D. Miller,  
Any imported mare foaled beginning in 2015 will need to be DNA profiled to obtain an American registration.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Kent House met with the Board to present a proposal to phase out grade geldings at the National Belgian Show.

Discussion followed with the matter being tabled.

Motion by Barie,  
Seconded by G. Miller,  
To discontinue the \$20.00 correction fee to update a stallion's registration certificate following castration.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Duane Miller reported on the 2013 Belgian Review income and expense.

Walter Schaefer, Jr. reported on the status of the social media and website projects. The new website should be up and running shortly.

Mark Barie reported that the Show Rule Committee had not yet met to develop a proposal.

Mark Barie reported on the National Belgian Show and informed the Board that plans are underway with the Indiana State Fair regarding awards and presentations. The committee has requested that a program be formed in the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc. for the generation of future funds.

Motion by Schaefer, Jr.,

Seconded by G. Miller,

That a program for the National Belgian Show be formed in the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc. for generation of future funds.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Peckinpaugh,

Seconded by Lemley,

To allow \$5,500.00 in funding from the Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America for the 2014 National Belgian Show in Indianapolis.

Yes: Barie; Lemley; D. Miller; G. Miller; Peckinpaugh; Schaefer, Jr.; Woodbury.

No: Frieden.

Motion carried.

President will be attending the Mississippi Valley Fair to present plaques in appreciation of the years they served as the host of the National Belgian Show.

Matt Frieden reported on the 2014 Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held in Shipshewana, Indiana, at the Farmstead Inn. The banquet will begin on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting and program to follow.

Mark Barie updated the Board on the NABC 8.

Discussion opened on the 2015 program budgets to be submitted to the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc.

Motion by Schaefer, Jr.

Seconded by Lemley,

To approve the 2015 Breeder Showcase budget.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schaefer, Jr.

Seconded by Frieden,

To approve the 2015 Social Media budget and request 50% of the funding from the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schaefer, Jr.  
Seconded by Peckinpaugh,  
To approve the 2015 Hall of Fame budget and request \$200.00 in funding from the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Lemley,  
Seconded by Schaefer, Jr.  
To approve the 2015 NABC budget.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Barie,  
Seconded by Schaefer, Jr.  
To approve the 2015 Belgian Merit Program budget.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Barie,  
Seconded by G. Miller,  
To approve the 2015 Trophies and Awards budget and request \$1,000.00 in funding from the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion opened on the booth and the events attended. Board consensus that the booth belongs to both the Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America and the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc. Several events were discussed and a schedule will be finalized at the December, 2014 meeting.

Motion by Barie,  
Seconded by D. Miller,  
To request funding of \$4,500 for the 2015 National Belgian Show from the Belgian Draft Horse Youth and Education Fund, Inc.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Stone reported on the National Pedigreed Livestock Council recently held in Oklahoma City.

Discussion opened on the request for funding from the University of Minnesota.

Motion by Peckinpaugh,  
Seconded by Woodbury,  
To deny the funding request.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary presented a request to retire the Ollie's Archives column and logo.

Motion by Lemley,

Seconded by Barie,  
To honor the request.  
Motion carried unanimously.

President appointed a committee of himself, Mark Barie, and Kent House to continue to develop the Registered Gelding Program.

President called for a motion to move into executive session for Board appeals.

Motion by Woodbury,  
Seconded by Schaefer, Jr.,  
To move into executive session.  
Motion carried unanimously.  
Meeting in executive session at 3:30 p.m.

Motion by Woodbury,  
Seconded by Lemley,  
To move out of executive session.  
Motion carried unanimously.  
Meeting in executive session at 4:35 p.m.

President called for further business.

Motion by Schaefer, Jr.,  
Seconded by D. Miller,  
To adjourn.  
Motion carried unanimously.  
Meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.